

NOTICE TO CALIFORNIA COMMERCIAL FISHERMEN AND PROCESSORS

2005 Federal Groundfish Management Measures that Affect Fishermen in Federal and State Waters off California

TRAWL**LIMITED ENTRY****December**

Rockfish Conservation Area (RCA) ^{6/} :				
North of 40°10' N. lat.	shoreline - 250 fm	40°10' - 38° N. lat.	shoreline - 250 fm	
		38° - 36° N. lat.	shoreline - 200 fm	
		36° - 34°27' N. lat.	50 - 200 fm	
		South of 34°27' N. lat.	50 fm - 200 fm along the mainland coast; shoreline - 200 fm around islands	
Selective flatfish trawl gear is required shoreward of the RCA; all trawl gear (large footrope, selective flatfish trawl, and small footrope trawl gear) is permitted seaward of the RCA. Midwater trawl gear is permitted only for vessels participating in the primary whiting season.		Small footrope gear is required shoreward of the RCA; all trawl gear (large footrope, midwater trawl, and small footrope gear) is permitted seaward of the RCA.		
See § 660.370 and § 660.381 for Additional Gear, Trip Limit, and Conservation Area Requirements and Restrictions. See § 660.390 - § 660.394 for Conservation Area Descriptions and Coordinates (including RCAs, YRCA, CCAs, Farallon Islands, and Cordell Banks). State trip limits may be more restrictive than federal trip limits, particularly in waters off California				
	November - December		November - December	
North of 40°10'		South of 40°10'		
Minor slope rockfish ^{2/} & Darkblotched rockfish Pacific ocean perch	CLOSED	1	Minor slope rockfish ^{2/} & Darkblotched rockfish	
	3,000 lb/ 2 months	2	40°10' - 38° N. lat.	CLOSED
		3	South of 38° N. lat.	CLOSED
		4	Splitnose	
		5	40°10' - 38° N. lat.	CLOSED
		6	South of 38° N. lat.	CLOSED
DTS complex		7	DTS complex	
Sablefish		8	Sablefish	9,000 lb/ 2 months
large & small footrope gear	11,000 lb/ 2 months	9		
selective flatfish or multiple ^{8/} bottom trawl gear	11,000 lb/ 2 months	10		
Longspine thornyhead		11	Longspine thornyhead	11,000 lb / 2 months
large & small footrope gear	7,000 lb/ 2 months	12		
selective flatfish or multiple ^{8/} bottom trawl gear	7,000 lb/ 2 months	13		
Shortspine thornyhead		14	Shortspine thornyhead	3,500 lb/ 2 months
large & small footrope gear	3,500 lb/ 2 months	15		
selective flatfish or multiple ^{8/} bottom trawl gear	3,500 lb/ 2 months	16		
Dover sole		17	Dover sole	30,000 lb/ 2 months
large & small footrope or multiple ^{8/} bottom trawl gear	20,000 lb/ 2 months	18		
selective flatfish trawl gear	20,000 lb/ 2 months	19		
Flatfish (except Dover sole)		20	Flatfish (except Dover sole)	
			Other flatfish ^{3/} & English sole	
large & small footrope gear for	30,000 lb/ 2 months, no petrale sole may be retained.	21	40°10' - 38° N. lat.	30,000 lb/ 2 months
Other flatfish ^{3/} & English sole		22	South of 38° N. lat.	40,000 lb/ 2 months
large & small footrope gear for				
Petrale sole		23	Petrale sole	CLOSED
selective flatfish or multiple ^{8/} bottom trawl gear	30,000 lb/ 2 months, no petrale sole may be retained.			
Arrowtooth flounder		24	Arrowtooth flounder	
large & small footrope gear	50,000 lb/ 2 months	25	40°10' - 38° N. lat.	10,000 lb/ 2 months
selective flatfish or multiple ^{8/} bottom trawl gear	50,000 lb/ 2 months	26	South of 38° N. lat.	5,000 lb/ 2 months

Whiting	CLOSED	27	Whiting	CLOSED
Minor shelf rockfish^{1/}, Shortbelly, Widow & Yelloweye rockfish		28	Minor shelf rockfish^{1/}, Chilipepper, Shortbelly, Widow & Yelloweye rockfish	
large & small footrope	300 lb/ 2 months	29	large footrope or midwater trawl for Minor shelf rockfish & Shortbelly	300 lb/ month
midwater trawl for Widow rockfish	CLOSED	30	large footrope or midwater trawl for Chilipepper	8,000 lb/ 2 months
selective flatfish trawl gear or multiple ^{8/} bottom trawl gear	300 lb/ month	31	large footrope or midwater trawl for Widow & Yelloweye	CLOSED
Yellowtail		32	small footrope trawl	300 lb/ month
large & small footrope or multiple ^{8/} bottom trawl gear	300 lb/ 2 months	33	Bocaccio	
midwater trawl	CLOSED	34	large footrope or midwater trawl	300 lb/ 2 months
selective flatfish trawl gear	2,000 lb/ 2 months	35	small footrope trawl	CLOSED
Canary rockfish		36	Canary rockfish	
large & small footrope or multiple ^{8/} bottom trawl gear	CLOSED	37	large footrope or midwater trawl	CLOSED
selective flatfish trawl gear	100 lb/ month	38	small footrope trawl	100 lb/ month
Minor nearshore rockfish & Black rockfish	State Permit Required	39	Minor nearshore rockfish & Black rockfish	State Permit Required
large & small footrope or multiple ^{8/} bottom trawl gear	CLOSED	40	large footrope or midwater trawl	CLOSED
selective flatfish trawl gear	300 lb/ month	41	small footrope trawl	300 lb/ month
Lingcod^{4/}		42	Lingcod^{4/}	
large & small footrope or multiple ^{8/} bottom trawl gear	500 lb/ 2 months	43	large footrope or midwater trawl	500 lb/ 2 months
selective flatfish trawl gear	800 lb/ 2 months	44	small footrope trawl	800 lb/ 2 months
Other Fish^{5/} & Pacific cod	Not limited	45	Other Fish^{5/} & Cabezon	Not limited

1/ Bocaccio, chilipepper and cowcod are included in the trip limits for minor shelf rockfish North of 40 10' N Latitude and Yellowtail is included in the trip limits for minor shelf rockfish South of 40 10' N Latitude. Cowcod is closed.

2/ Splitnose rockfish is included in the trip limits for minor slope rockfish North of 40 10' N Latitude and POP is included in the trip limits for minor slope rockfish South of 40 10' N Latitude.

3/ "Other flatfish" are defined at § 660.302 and include butter sole, curlfin sole, flathead sole, Pacific sanddab, rex sole, rock sole, sand sole, and starry flounder.

4/ The minimum size limit for lingcod is 24 inches (61 cm) total length.

5/ "Other fish" are defined at § 660.302 and include sharks, skates, ratfish, morids, grenadiers, and kelp greenling. Cabezon is included in the trip limits for "other fish." **See state regulations for permit requirements and trip limits.** Refer to Title 14, CCR, Section 150.16

6/ The Rockfish Conservation Area is a gear and/or sector specific closed area generally described by depth contours but specifically defined by lat/long coordinates set out at § 660.390.

7/ The "modified 200 fm" line is modified to exclude certain petrale sole areas from the RCA.

8/ If a vessel has both selective flatfish gear and large or small footrope gear on board during a cumulative limit period (either simultaneously or successively), the most restrictive cumulative limit for any gear on board during the cumulative limit period applies for the entire cumulative limit period

To convert pounds to kilograms, divide by 2.20462, the number of pounds in one kilogram.



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PINK SHRIMP NON-GROUNDFISH TRAWL GEAR <i>(not subject to RCAs)</i>	
All Areas	<p>Effective April 1 - October 31: Groundfish 500 lb/day, multiplied by the number of days of the trip, not to exceed 1,500 lb/trip. The following sublimits also apply and are counted toward the overall 500 lb/day and 1,500 lb/trip groundfish limits: lingcod 300 lb/ month (minimum 24 inch size limit); sablefish 2,000 lb/ month; canary, thornyheads and yelloweye rockfish are PROHIBITED. All other groundfish species taken are managed under the overall 500 lb/day and 1,500 lb/trip groundfish limits. Landings of these species count toward the per day and per trip groundfish limits and do not have species-specific limits. The amount of groundfish landed may not exceed the amount of pink shrimp landed.</p>
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RIDGEBACK PRAWN AND, SOUTH OF 38°57.50' N. LAT., CA HALIBUT AND SEA CUCUMBER NON-GROUNDFISH TRAWL	
NON-GROUNDFISH TRAWL Rockfish Conservation Area (RCA) for CA Halibut and Sea Cucumber:	
40°10' - 38° N. lat.	75 fm - 150 fm
38° - 34°27' N. lat.	75 fm - 150 fm
South of 34°27' N. lat.	75 fm - 150 fm along the mainland coast; shoreline - 150 fm around islands
NON-GROUNDFISH TRAWL Rockfish Conservation Area (RCA) for Ridgeback Prawn:	
40°10' - 38° N. lat.	75 fm - 150 fm
38° - 34°27' N. lat.	75 fm - 150 fm
South of 34°27' N. lat.	75 fm - 150 fm along the mainland coast; shoreline - 150 fm around islands
	<p>Groundfish 300 lb/trip. Trip limits in this table also apply and are counted toward the 300 lb groundfish per trip limit. The amount of groundfish landed may not exceed the amount of the target species landed, except that the amount of spiny dogfish landed may exceed the amount of target species landed. Spiny dogfish are limited by the 300 lb/trip overall groundfish limit. The daily trip limits for sablefish coastwide and thornyheads south of Pt. Conception and the overall groundfish "per trip" limit may not be multiplied by the number of days of the trip. Vessels participating in the California halibut fishery south of 38°57'30" N. lat. are allowed to (1) land up to 100 lb/day of groundfish without the ratio requirement, provided that at least one California halibut is landed and (2) land up to 3,000 lb/month of flatfish, no more than 300 lb of which may be species other than Pacific sanddabs, sand sole, starry flounder, rock sole, curlfin sole, or California scorpionfish.</p>
<i>The following sub-limits and cumulative limits still apply in conjunction with the 300 pound total bycatch limit</i>	
1 Minor slope rockfish^{1/} & Darkblotched rockfish	
2 40°10' - 38° N. lat.	Per trip, no more than 25% of weight of the sablefish landed
3 South of 38° N. lat.	10,000 lb/ 2 months
4 Splitnose	200 lb/ month
5 Sablefish	
6 40°10' - 36° N. lat.	500 lb/ day, or 1 landing per week of up to 1,500 lb, not to exceed 9,000 lb/ 2 months
7 South of 36° N. lat.	350 lb/ day, or 1 landing per week of up to 1,050 lb
8 Thornyheads	
9 40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	CLOSED
10 South of 34°27' N. lat.	50 lb/ day, no more than 1,000 lb/ 2 months
11 Dover sole	3,000 lb/month, no more than 300 lb of which may be species other than Pacific sanddabs. When fishing for "other flatfish," vessels using hook-and-line gear with no more than 12 hooks per line, using hooks no larger than "Number 2" hooks, which measure 11 mm (0.44 inches) point to shank, and up to 1 lb of weight per line are not subject to the RCAs.
12 Arrowtooth flounder	
13 Petrale sole	
14 English sole	
15 Other flatfish^{2/}	
16 Whiting	300 lb/ month

17	Minor shelf rockfish^{1/}, Shortbelly, Widow & Chilipepper rockfish	
18	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	300 lb/ 2 months
19	South of 34°27' N. lat.	750 lb/ 2 months
20	Canary, Cowcod & Yelloweye rockfish	CLOSED
22	Bocaccio	
23	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	200 lb/ 2 months
24	South of 34°27' N. lat.	100 lb/ 2 months
25	Minor nearshore rockfish & Black rockfish	State Permit Required
26	Shallow nearshore	300 lb/ 2 months
27	Deeper nearshore	
28	40°10' - 34°27' N. lat.	500 lb/ 2 months
29	South of 34°27' N. lat.	400 lb/ 2 months
30	California scorpionfish	300 lb/ 2 months
31	Lingcod^{4/}	CLOSED
32	Other Fish^{5/} & Cabezon	Not limited

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2/ "Other flatfish" are defined at § 660.302 and include butter sole, curlfin sole, flathead sole, Pacific sanddab, rex sole, rock sole, sand sole, and starry flounder.

3/ For black rockfish north of Cape Alava (48°09.50' N. lat.), and between Destruction Is. (47°40' N. lat.) and Leadbetter Pnt. (46°38.17' N. lat.), there is an additional limit of 100 lbs or 30 percent by weight of all fish on board, whichever is greater, per vessel, per fishing trip.

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State cumulative trip limits for cabezon, greenlings, and California sheephead (includes all gears, statewide) *

	Nov/Dec	Minimum Size limits
Cabezon	0	15 in (TL)
Greenlings	0	12 in (TL)
Sheephead	2,400	13 in (TL)

* CGS fisheries will close if the allocation amounts are reached.



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